ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

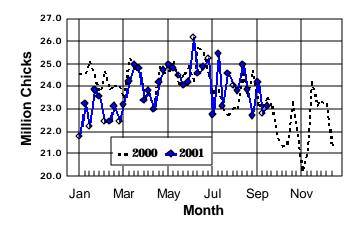
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 23.2 million during the week ending September 29, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000, but 1 percent above the previous week, and included 2.2 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through September 29, 2001 were 931.0 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 24.4 million, up 3 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but 1 percent below the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.1 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.0 percent.

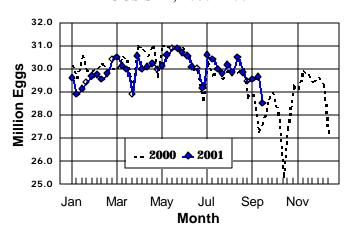
Arkansas hatcheries set 28.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending September 29, 2001, up 3 percent from the same period last year but 4 percent below the previous week.

	NET PLACEMENTS			СНІСЬ	KS HATCI	HED	EGGS SET			
Week Ending	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	
	1,000			1,000			1,000			
Aug. 25	24,605	24,977	102	24,498	24,436	100	29,844	30,519	102	
Sept. 1	23,583	23,892	101	24,722	24,889	101	30,063	29,887	99	
Sept. 8	24,751	22,693	92	24,525	24,665	101	28,807	29,469	102	
Sept. 15	23,246	24,198	104	24,488	25,248	103	28,927	29,579	102	
Sept. 22	23,080	22,834	99	24,656	24,739	100	27,272	29,665	109	
Sept. 29	23,537	23,173	98	23,677	24,447	103	27,626	28,546	103	

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

EGGS SET (in Thousands)						CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
		Week End	ing		1/			Week Endi	ng			1/
STATE	08-Sep	15 - Sep	22 - Sep	29 - Sep	%	25-Aug	01 - Sep	08 - Sep	15 - Sep	22 - Sep	29 - Sep	%
Alabama	27,806 *	28,872	27,693	28,703	103	22,622	22,715	23,089	22,553	21,915 *	21,560	108
ARKANSAS	29,469	29,579	29,665	28,546	103	24,977	23,892	22,693	24,198	22,834	23,173	98
Delaware	3,545	3,085	3,482	3,580	96	5,116	4,585	4,808	5,150	4,778	4,884	111
Florida	2,162 *	2,235	2,327	2,243	8 2	2,377	2,446	2,299	2,113	2,440	2,134	103
Georgia	31,238 *	31,364	30,343 *	30,767	101	25,290	25,244	25,324	25,349	25,561 *	24,505	109
Maryland	8,630	7,734	8,833	8,988	111	5,168	5,387	5,276	4,905	5,751	5,467	118
Mississippi	17,731 *	17,476	18,404	17,848	102	15,835	15,308	15,716	15,628	15,382	14,568	104
N. Carolina	15,904 *	15,990	17,737	17,218	97	14,629	13,768	13,984	14,139	13,364	13,138	100
Pennsylvania	3,470	3,947	3,714 *	3,742	102	2,742	2,661	2,741	2,810	2,661 *	2,734	99
S. Carolina	4,983	4,807	4,719	4,890	100	3,855	4,019	4,003	3,854	4,155	3,903	89
Texas	14,208	13,208	13,629	14,527	103	11,042	10,684	11,259	11,596	11,907 *	11,425	104
Virginia	6,447	5,867	6,421	6,189	99	5,349	5,442	5,699	5,996	5,235	5,007	93
CATN & WVA	10,293	9,645	10,516 *	10,690	106	9,367	9,196	9,382	10,053	9,548 *	8,528	93
Total 2001	175,886 *	173,809	177,483 *	177,931		148,369	145,347	146,273	148,344	145,531 *	141,026	
Total 2000	169,551	168,927	167,926	175,075		144,596	141,877	144,511	142,827	140,916	136,863	
% PREV. YEAR	104	103	106	102		103	102	101	104	103	103	
APPROXIMATE M	ARKETING D	ATE 2001			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	13-Oct	20 - Oct	27 - Oct	0 3 - N o v	10 - Nov	17 - Nov	
* Revised.	1/ Curren	t week as p	ercent of the	same weel	k last y	ear.						
* Kentucky	5,494	5,029	4,629	5,689	* * * *	4,552	4,540	4,509	4,495	4,337	4,252	****
*Oklahoma	6,317	6,006	6,384	6,174	****	4,310	4,975	4,940	4,517	5,840	4,215	****
* L A & M O	8,411	9,229	8,393	9,231	****	8,572	8,326	9,536	8,580	8,419	9,175	****

19 StateTotal 196,108 * 194,073 196,889 * 199,025 165,803 163,188 165,258 165,936 * Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 2 PERCENT

164,127 *

158,668

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 178 million eggs during the week ending September 29, 2001. This was up 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 82 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 141 million chicks for meat production during the week ending September 29, 2001. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through September 29, 2001 were 5.74 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

NOTE: Beginning January 2, 2002, the Broiler Hatchery report will be available on the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service Home-Page at http://www.nass.usda.gov/ar/ <u>only</u>. Please call 1-800-327-2970 if you do not have access to internet service and would like to continue receiving copies of the report by mail.